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APPLICANTS: Thomas BIRKHOELZER et al. CONF. NO.: 3381  
SERIAL NO.: 10/785,180 GROUP: 2435  
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FOR: METHOD FOR THE ENCRYPTION AND DECRYPTION OF DATA  
BY VARIOUS USERS

Attorney Docket: 32860-000704/US

**AMENDMENT**

June 17, 2009

Customer Service Window  
Randolph Building  
401 Dulany Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314  
**Mail Stop Amendment**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated March 17, 2009, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-referenced application.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this Response.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this Response.

	Claims remaining after Amendment		Highest number previously paid for		Present extra
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